

MATTIOLI  
Appl. No. 10/527,194  
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**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

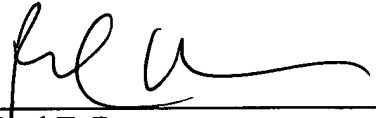
Claims 1-22 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 7, 8, and 11-22 are amended to eliminate multiple dependency and claim 23 is canceled.

Prompt and favorable action on the merits for at least claims 1, 2, 5-8 and 11-23 is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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